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## LASA students honored at ceremony

By Barbara Walde

The annual year-end award ceremony celebrating LASA students' academic excellence took on a new look this year with a ceremony held in the Dean's lounge, April 22.

In past years, LASA students have been honored and celebrated in an off-campus venue. But programs co-ordinator Bob Ryan and his staff have been the biggest help in making the ceremony a successful one.

Several year-end award winners and their staff have been helped by the Dean's lounge. Barbara Walde, co-ordinator of the year-end award ceremony, explained the new look.

The ceremony also included an awards ceremony for the City of Kitchener and Waterloo regional police in recognition of their role in the city's efforts to help in the fight against crime.

Celebrations were presented by Bob Ryan, co-ordinator of the award ceremony, in the Dean's lounge and second-year LASA students who came out to watch the party.

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## Conditions placed on association of colleges

# Board alters funding for provincial body

By Paul Thane

The Ontario board of governors changed the way it funds a provincial association, the Association of Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology of Ontario (ACAAO), in an April 22 meeting.

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## COMMENTARY

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## Pass the tequila, goodbye Sheila

Although the Liberal government has had a somewhat soft landing since it took office in May, it's not yet out of the woods.

In the final week of April, the press, politicians and voters appropriately focused their attention on the Sheila Copps controversy. Copps, who has explicitly and implicitly been seen as deputy prime minister, foreign minister and member of parliament in the Mulroney/Clark campaign May 1, lost her seat a week after losing the election.

But as she has been from Copps is nothing new — it is the very reason she is retiring.

During the 1993 campaign, Copps said categorically, "I've already said publicly and very clearly that if the GST is not abolished I'll resign. I don't know how often you can say."

She reiterated the promise in March of this year "If we don't replace it, I will resign."

But on April 28, Copps said, "Actually, she would not resign and then offered a number of excuses, not only contradictory, but also she said she did not mean what she said on the campaign trail. She also said she was the person under serious pressure from the campaign. She said she had asked offered to resign, in vain.

The issue is not whether or not the GST should be scrapped. The issue is the integrity of a Liberal MP and cabinet member: the woman who would be prime minister if something were to happen to Jean Chrétien. During the May 1 press conference, Copps said she had always been a straight shooter. But only a week earlier, she said she was under stress.

Copps said in the press conference her father, Vic Copps of Hamilton municipal fame, and the person whose name helped give Sheila her name, said there are two important ingredients to a successful political career: honesty and hard work.

It seems Sheila Copps needs to work hard on her honesty. Copps does not seem to know what happened. When someone says she doesn't mean what she says, that's usually because she's lying. But not Copps. She does find her promises to resign as an "over statement." She offers to "resign," but will not admit the situation actually happened.

Copps' biggest mistake was not breaking her promise to resign, but rather her honesty offensive action. On top of the aforementioned action offered at the April 25 press conference, she told reporters on May 1, that she made the previous week a mistake because of the pressure of being a deputy prime minister.

She said she is resigning not because of pressure from colleagues or voters, but because she doesn't like what she has become. "The pressure comes from my own team, I have become uncomfortable with someone I've made. I will put my talent to the benefit of the voters."

But why then if she believes she is having difficulty, is she resigning because she's not?

Why should voters give her another chance? She has no credibility left. Sheila will lose the Liberals if — as Copps says — Chrétien had the party support her on the issue of the GST.



## Just a thought



Robert Klager

College camps are the small victories that are being the biggest ones. It's a place, especially a place where it's becoming a part of the mission of the day camp to begin with.

Last week a paper appeared on tomorrow's page, talking about the day camp. It was a good one, but it was a little bit of a disappointment. It was a little bit of a disappointment. It was a little bit of a disappointment.

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## Conestoga Corner



Blake Ellis

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